Spinning in Schools.

55. **MR. A. K. PILLAI** (*Karunagapalli*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to say how far the Government were able to carry out the resolution passed in the Council that spinning must be taught in all schools?

(2) Will the Government consider the economic aspect of spinning in schools with a view to enable the pupils to cover part of their expenditure?

(3) Do the Government know that a boy can earn on the average one chackram by an hour's spinning?

(4) Do the Government further know that the supply of cotton could be made practically free if cotton plants are grown in the school compound?

(5) Are the Government aware that some schools in Gujarat are maintained out of the proceeds of a couple of hours' spinning by the pupils every day?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) The member is referred to the answer to part (*a*) of question No. 54.

(2) Yes, after the present scheme has had a fair trial.

(3), (4) and (5) Government have no information.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): With respect to answers to 3 4 and 5, did the Government make any enquiries with the spinning expert?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): No enquiry was made.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): The only answer given is that Government have no information. But I understand that the spinning expert is close by and Government could have made the necessary enquiries.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Member's questions are, "Do the Government know and are the Government aware,...," and the answer is that Government have no information.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): The question is this: "Do the Government know that a boy can earn on an average one chackram by an hour's spinning?", and the answer to which reference has been made is —"A special class for giving instruction in spinning to selected teachers of manual training in Vernacular Schools was started on the 5th Edavom, 1100. The course is expected to be over by the 5th Kanni, 1101", etc. I understand that this school is situated close by, that is, in Chentittai. Therefore, I thought that information could be very easily available.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): If the question was whether Government would make enquiries, probably some enquiry might have been made.

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MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to make the enquiries?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government will consider that.

List of Officers on Salaries above Rs. 100.

56. **MR. C. P. TARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing, taluk by taluk, the officers in each Department carrying a salary of above Rs. 100?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to Parts I and II of the Travancore Half-yearly Civil List (corrected up to 1st Kumbham 1100) wherein all the officers in the State drawing a pay of Rs. 100 and above are shown by departments. Information regarding the station at which they are working is also noted therein. As for a statement showing distribution, taluk by taluk, the information wanted by the member is given in Part III (Pages 223 to 259).

If, however, what the member means is a distribution statement according to the native place of each officer, the Government have no information on the point.

Statement of Expenditure on Minor Irrigation Works.

57. **MR. C. P. TARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement, showing the amount of expenditure on minor irrigation works incurred by the Government during the last ten years in each of the P. W. Divisions?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A statement* showing the expenditure during the last ten years, *i. e.*, from 1090—1099, is placed on the table.

Survey Stones.

58. **MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam cum Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of money advanced to the Superintendent of Land Records Maintenance, Mr. Raghava Aiyangar, for the purpose of survey stones in 1097, 1098, 1099 and 1100;

(*b*) the number of stones renewed or repaired by the department during the above period;

(*c*) the value of the stones realised from the owners of lands liable to pay the same during the above period;

(*d*) the number of stones in stock with the Superintendent and their cost price at the end of 1099 and 1100; and

(*e*) the amount of money outstanding with him at the end of 1099 and 1100?

Vide appendix I—page 411.

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